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Mr. Ed Rogers
Wright/Garff Resources, LLC,
1675 Beck Street
Salt Lake City, UT 84116

Subject: Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, Wright/Garff Resources, LLC, Browns Canyon Quarry, M0430030, Summit County, Utah

Dear Mr. Rogers:

The Division of Oil, Gas & Mining (Division) received Wright/Garff Resources, LLC's (Wright/Garff) request for an informal conference with the Division Director, John Baza, to challenge the Division's decision not to process Wright/Garff's small mine permit. An informal hearing with the Division Director will be scheduled in the near future.

The Division has invited Star Stone Quarries (SSQ) to attend the hearing and bring a proposal to amend its permit to accommodate Wright/Garff's mineral interest (*see* attached letter). The Division requests Wright/Garff to also bring a proposal for use of only that portion of SSQ's surface estate absolutely necessary to extract its mineral interests and also Wright/Garff's expected payment to SSQ for surface use. While Wright/Garff's mineral estate is superior to SSQ's surface rights, Wright/Garff does not have the right to take actions in disregard of SSQ's rights. The Division hopes that Wright/Garff and SSQ will find common ground and resolve these issues without seeking adjudicative remedies.

Sincerely,

Susan M. White
Mining Program Coordinator
Minerals Regulatory Program

SMW: pb
Attachment. Copy of letter to Lon Thomas, dated 1/25/07
cc: Lon Thomas, Star Stone Quarries
Keli Beard
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